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WILSON PLEADS IN VAIN TO DELAY STRIKE

MAIN OFFICES OF LARGE COMPANIES **COMING TO CITY**

Two Muskogee Enterprises Arrange for Transfer.

INSURANCE AND TRUST

Mid-Continent Representative Conducts Negotiations.

R. T. Stuart, president of R. T. Stuart & Co., a million-dollar trust company of Dallas, Texas, that he and his associates who are Texas and Oklahoma bankers have acquired controlng interest in the Mid-continent Life Insurance company and the Mid-continent Trust company, both of Musko gee, and that main offices of both companies probably would be removed to Oklahoma City in the immediate fu

A branch office of the R. T. Stuart company has been established in this city, temporarily at 710 Colcord build-According to Mr. Stuart, the Midcontinent Trust company will be merged with R. T. Stuart and Co., but a branch office will be maintained at Muskogee. The Mid-continent Life Insurance company's main offices will be removed to this cit, if certain conditions are met.

Main Offices Assured. As a result of negotiations in which by fire. They would not have been Mr. Stuart has taken the lead, Okla- able otherwise to do so. homa City is definitely assured of a "There is going to be an attend-big trust company and probably the ance of 50,000 on the opening day of through which other big companies may be merged with these interests.

Mr. Stuart arrived in Oklahoma City two months ago from Dallas and has been working quietly on the proposi-

Establishment of the trust company and the life insurance main offices here means the removal of at least 100 men, most of whom have families, to ment made yesterday by Secretary of Oklahoma City, Mr. Stuart says. Ten State Lyon in which Mr Lyon gave

The Mid-Continent Life Insurance company is one of the new Oklahoma said the mayor. "He would figure it companies. It has approximately \$3,-500,000 insurance in force now. The assets of that company and the Mid-Continent Trust company amount to

circles in Texas, having been in the insurance and trust business for more he said we offered \$200 000. Not such a than sixteen years.

STRIKE WOULD CLOSE MINNEAPOLIS MILLS

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 30.-Every flour mill in Minneapolis will be closed thirty minutes after the order for a nation-wide railroad strike becomes effective, according to an announcement today by the Washburn-Croeby com-

"All the mills in the city are filled to capacity and with no available stor-age space and no way in which to move the output, it will be necessary to discontinue operations immediately the strike order becomes effective," said an official of the company.

SCORE OR MORE OF SEAMEN DIE IN SHIPWRECK

Navy Department Has Little News of Accident to Ship.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30. — Incomplete advices of the navy department today indicate that between twenty and thirty American blue jackets lost their lives Tuesday when the armored cruiser Memphis was driven ashore in a audden tropical storm at San Domingo city. The full report from Rear Admiral Pond on casualties was ex-

In his message last night Rear Admiral Pond said the ship would be a

SANTA FE TO KEEP ITS STRIKEBREAKERS

CHICAGO, Aug. 30 .- President E. P. Ripley of the Santa Fe issued, a statement to employes of the road this afternoon notifying them that the po-sitions of those who fail to report for work next Monday will be declared vacant, and that employment of new men will be permanent, barring ill behavior.

MRS. ABERNATHY ASKS DIVORCE FROM FORMER UNITED STATES MARSHAL

REDERICK, Okla, Aug. 30.-Mrs. Angela Abernathy has filed suit in the Tillman county district court for divorce from John R. Abernathy, former United States marshal, and close friend of Colonel Roosevelt. She accuses her husband of cruelty and on her representation that she feared bodily harm, has been granted a temporary injunction restraining Abernathy for interfering with or molesting her.

MAYOR DEFENDS RENTAL OF FAIR SITE FOR PARK

Enabling Act to Permit New Grandstand, He Says.

Mayor Overholser this morning warmly defended the city commissioners'offer to lease the State Fair grounds

for a city park for two years.
"By doing this," declared the mayor, "we have enabled the State Fair assocjation to go at once to work on the construction of its \$40 000 cement edifice to replace the grandstand destroyed

main offices of the life insurance or- the fair. It is infinitely for the the welgamzations, and deals are pending fare of the city's business that this vast assemblage of people find a per-manent building erected almost over night, and the fair grounds in bettershape than before the fire. The imprespractically the entire state fair buildings have been burned to the ground."

Attacks Lyon's Statement. The mayor bitterly attacked a state-

out that we are trying to squander \$164,000 of the city's money. In his weird calculation, he omitted the fact Wheat Price Falls that there are buildings valued at nearly \$300 000 standing on the \$36,000 piece of property. This would make a total valuation of \$330,000, for which

bad business investment. Not Buying Outright.

"However, it has not been the decision of the commissioners to buy the property outright, and I do not even know that they are, any of them, con-sidering it at all."

Under the method of renting pro-posed by the city, the State Fair grounds would become the biggest and prounds would become the biggest and best equipped park in the city for all \$160,000,000 IS recreation purposes, especially in the recreation purposes, especially in the way of playgrounds and athletic events.

Wise Investment.

"While at the worst our proposition could but be called an effort to help out the State Fair association in a time of vital need," Mayor Overholser concluded, "I am of opinion that it is the best and most foresighted business investment the city could make

Five St. Louis Strikers Shot

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 30 .- Five striking milk wagon drivers were shot, two of them were wounded seriously and another striker suffered a fractured skull as a result of trouble near the Pevely Dairy company's plant last night.

Weather Shows No Signs of Changing

Local Forecast—Generally fals tonight and Thursday; not much change in temperature. State Forecast-Tonight and Thursday

KANSAS-Cloudy and possibly unset ARKANSAS Fair.



HOURLY TEMPERATURE 10 p. m...... 12 midnight 3 s. m......

RUMANIA MAY **DEMAND BULGARS ABANDON SERBIA**

Ultimatum Said to Be Decided on at Bucharest.

DRAMA, GREECE, OCCUPIED

Troops Reported Advancing Unopposed in Hungary.

LONDON, Aug. 30.-Rumania has decided to present an ultimatum to Bulgaria demanding the evacuation of Serbian territory, according to a dispatch filed in Athens on Monday.

According to this delayed dispatch Rumania was to have presented the ulimatum on Tuesday. Abandonment of Serbian territory held by the Bulga-rians is demanded, the dispatch says, so that the status quo may be restored according to the treaty of Bucharest. Under the treaty of Bucharest, signed August, 1913, Macedonia was divided among Bulgaria, Serbia, and Greece The Serbian portion is now held by the Bulgarians

Bulgarians Seize Drama.

It also is reported that the city of Drama, in northeastern Greece, has been seized by the Bulgarians after a battle with the Greek garrison. The Bulgarians are said to have captured three forts and taken prisoner the Greek garrison of 120 men, after killing many. The correspondent says ref ugees who have reached Athens have confirmed the story.

Exemption Promised. Drama is one of the principal towns of northern Greece, seventy-five miles northeast of Saloniki, in the district nine precincts out of a total of 5. Manufacturers were preparing to shut of the Struma river, which the Bul- 443 gave Willis Booth 75,353 and down a number of plants or reduce output and railroads were planning to garians have been occupying for the last fortnight. It was announced at

not enter Kavala, Drama or Seres. yond the mountains. A Bucharest dis- business man \$200,000 for \$36,000 worth of property, patch says the Rumanians, operating "Mr. Lyon's attitude is ridiculous," in conjunction with Russians, have in conjunction with Russians, have

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As Strike Nears

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—Big breaks in the value of wheat quickly resulted today from announcements that in anticipation of a general strike an embargo on grain shipments had been ordered to take effect Saturday on the Pennsylvanian railway, one of the chief outlets from here for exports to Europe. The extreme shrinkage amounted to 654c a

ASKED IN SUIT OVER NEW HAVEN

Restitution Demanded From Road's Former Officers.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.-Former ofrailroad were made defendants today in a liability and restitution suit for more than \$160,000 000 filed in the United States district court by five Massachusetts stockholders of the road.

The suit is based on evidence taken at the recent trial of William Rocks man anti-trust law.

California G. O. P. Nominates Johnson



the fact of incomplete returns early Two thousand seven hundred and fiftynine precincts out of a total of 5,- Manufacturers were preparing to shut

Johnson 92,552. The campaign attracted interest be- stockyard industries are expecting to Athens last week that Germany and cause Chester H. Rowell of Fresno, close down by Sunday. Bulgaria had given a written agree- a member of the republican national ment to Greece that their troops would campaign committee, protested to the is said that the Rumanians, hav-Hughes that the forces of the state re-Charles Evans men already have come since Mr. Stu- the impression that the city commis-have occupied two important cities he- aligned behind Booth, a Los Angeles perishable goods and livestock are ef-

BRUTALITY LAID TO PARENT; BOY'S RESCUE IS URGED

Neighbors Charge Mother Is delivered at destination by Sunday morning. All dead freight accepted Cruel; Court Petitioned.

filed complaint in juvenile court today ments from us we will not accept them against Mary Martz, charging her with unmerciful whipping and treatment of her 9-year-old son, Lloyd, and asking the court to place the child in

The petitioners allege that the nother is not a proper person to raise. educate and nuture the child "for the reason that she abuses him and whips him unmercifully and beats him with lines or for our lines that will not

The petition further charges that she catches him by the hair of his head and bumps him against the wall of the ficers, directors and counsel of the house, and on August 29 she heat the New York, New Haven & Hartford child over the head and cut a gash with some hard substance, wood or

The complainants also allege the mother was fined in the municipal court yesterday on a charge of drunk enness and being abusive to the child Probation Officer Offutt said the feller and other directors of the road case would be heard before County for criminal conspiracy under the Sher- Judge Zwick on Friday morning at 5

Thirty Thousand Aged Veterans March Together While Battle Flags Wave

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 30.-Between 25,000 and 30,000 veterans of the civil war, not a man of them less than 65 years old, marched through Die streets today in regi-mental formation, behind the tattered flags they followed as de-fenders of their country, in the annual parade of the Grand Army

of the Republic. The annual parade is the climax of the national encampment. To march with his former com-

rades at arms, as Captain Elias R. Monfort, commander-in-chief, explained, the veteran will make any sacrifice, either physical or financial, and many of them count it the greatest event of the year. A public holiday had been proclaimed and reviewing stands throughout the business district were filled.

Clear and cool weather aided the marchers in withstanding the hardships of the twelve blocks of

Whole Nation Prepares For Tieup of Railways; Embargoes Halt Traffic

STOCKYARDS TO **CLOSE DOWN IF** STRIKE GOES ON

Packing Industries Contemplate Like Action.

MEATS. EGGS IN PLENTY

Stocks Sufficient to Run Community Long While.

Oklahoma City will not suffer from lack of food if trains are not run for a long time. Packers report that their stocks of fresh meat will last for ten days or two weeks. Their supplies of citred meats and other packing plant products will care for local demands for six months or a year. In all whole: sale food lines this is the heaviest ship ping season of the year, the managers and they have large stocks stored With the certainty this morning that the strike will be called on Monday morning railroads and shippers were preparing to meet the new conditions.

output and railroads were planning to

Railroad Embargoes. The Frisco and Rock Island divibargoes. Restrictions on shipments of fective now on the Santa Fe and Katy

The Rock Island office said this morning "We have announced no em-bargo. We have nothing to report as we have not received any word of

Santa Te Statement

carlots of perishable stuff will not be accepted until further notice. stock will not be accepted for destination beyond our lines or for destination on our lines unless shipments can be

subject to delays."

The Frisco: "No embargo has been largely on what eastern roads will do. lays." Ten women residing in Capitol Hill If eastern roads will not accept shiplocally. We have received no embargo instructions here."

Katy's Embargo.

The Katy: "Embargo order 71, dated August 39, states that on account of the enginemen and trainmen strike, ef fective at once until further notice the Missouri, Kansas & Texas lines will not accept perishable freight for any destination. Livestock will not be ac cepted for any destination beyond our reach destination by Sunday morning.

SERVICE

as in any line of business, service tells if the long run. Yesterday The Times published 2,000 words of President Wilson's address to congress in its home edition. We were able to do this because we have a direct wire to Washington. As fast as the words came from the president's mouth they were taken down by the telegrapher. He started speaking at

1:30 o'clock, our time.

The Times' only competitor in Oklahoma City published in its home edition, locked up at the same time our paper was, the would appear before congress. It did not carry a line of this vital speech.

The Times protects the state with the full leased wire report of the Associated Press, exclusive

in this city.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS SENT THE ONLY VERBATIM REPORT OF PRESIDENT WILSON'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS THAT CAME TO OKLAHOMA YESTERDAY. CONSIDER THAT.

Strike in Brief

MPLOYES announce no power on earth but satisfactory settlement can halt strike.

President Wilson is reported mak ing an effort to persuade the brotherhood officials to call off the strike but the union men deny such request was made.

Brother bod officials spend morn ing in conference with Secretary of Labor Wilson regarding proposed legislation.

Presidents of western railroads meet in Chicago for conference as to course. Both railroads and unions prepare for strike. Many roads issue em-

bargo on perishable freight that cannot be delivered before Monday. The senate interstate commerce committee provides for hearings Thursday morning on proposed

railroad legislation. Omaha judge issues order re straining conductors' order from calling or enforcing a strike on lines of Union Pacific.

Oklahoma City packing houses will close when strike begins, but enough meat and eggs are on hand to supply the city indefinitely.

EMBARGO ORDER CAUSING TIEUP

Freight Traffic Halted and Passengers Warned.

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.-Railroads of the nation rushed preparations today hange in the situation from higher to enforce the embargo on perishable freight. Shipments of livestock and perishables were refused by some The Santa Fe: "Carlots or less than roads; others issued warnings that its destination by Saturday would not well as freight would be tied up, be accepted.

From Chicago, the greatest railroad center of the country, orders were flashed to ticket agents to inform passengers that unless they reach their destinations by Saturday night, they announced. Our action will depend would be subjected to "perplexing de

Recall Traveling Salesmen.

Manufacturers and business houses swamped telegraph companies with messages urging that their shipments he rushed. Many of them authorize sending their orders by express. Several large commercial houses already have recalled their traveling represent-

Operating officials of many of the big railway systems speeded up plans to meet the strike situation, and private detective agencies, engaged to employ additional help, were urged to Physical examination more activity. of thousands of former railroad men, who, officials said, are willing to re-

turn to work, was hastened. Embargoes General.

Associated Press dispatches from all parts of the country indicated that within forty-eight hours, unless a delay in the strike is ordered, embargo or ders will be effective on practically

every railroad in the country. What this means to traffic and revenues is said by railroad men to be shown by the statement of an official of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe which announced an embargo on livestock and perishable freight last night. The official said that it would reduce the traffic of the road one-third.

Fruit Picking Ceases.

Harris Weinstock, state market director of California, said that a strike of any duration meant ruin to thousands of fruit growers. A Sacramento dispatch stated that picking of fruit in that rich district had virtually ceased.

mittee adopted a resolution today previously for hearings on proposed rail-road legislation in the impending crisis, beginning Thursday at 9 a. m. Railroad officials, brotherhood officials Commercial and industrial organizations, as well as individual firms and corporations throughout the country were reported "hoping for the best and

preparing for the worst." Some May Continue Work.

Railroad men hoped that many members of the brotherhood would not obey the strike order. In fact, it was rumored that little if any pressure would be brought to bear on the older generation of engineers and conductors whose seniority has placed them in well paid positions, many of them with pensioned leisure not far away.

EVERY INFLUENCE TO RECALL **order** IS UNSUCCESSFUL

Nothing Can Prevent Walkout," Is Reply.

BOTH SIDES GET READY

Nebraska Court Enjoins Conductors from Striking.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—With both sides making last hour prepara-tions for a great railway strike Monday morning, President Wilson turned all the influence of his administration today toward persuading the brotherhood leaders to postpone or rescind their strike order until congress has

had opportunity to act. There were intimations that should the labor leaders continue adamant, President Wilson even might make a public appeal to the railway workers themselves to direct their leaders to

postpone it. Injunction in Nebraska. The first legal phase of the situa-tion developed with the temporary in-junction issued by a local court in Ne-braska on the Union Pacific. This brought up for the first time the elfect of the much discussed Clayton antiinjunction act passed by congress at the behest of labor. The brotherhood leaders unreservedly expressed the coinion that the injunction was in contravention of the law and could not

There were intimations that similar injunctions might be sued out in dif-ferent parts of the country where the sentiment of the men is known to be

against the strike. With notices of freight embargoes and prospective delays to passenger traffic pouring in from all parts of the country, Chairman Howard Elliott of the New Haven issued a statement on behalf of the railway executives points erishable freight which cannot reach ing out that passenger train service as

> While every effort was being made to prevent the strike both sides continued to make preparations to meet it Nothing Can Halt Strike.

> Brotherhood heads insisted after a conference with Secretary Wilson today that they had not been requested by President Wilson or any other administration official to postpone the strike and that nothing except a satis-

> factory settlement of their demands

could prevent a walkout. "No power on earth except a satisfactory settlement now can prevent a strike." said W. G. Lee, president of the trainmen.

"We four heads certainly could not obtain a postponement of the strike if we wanted to not could we postpone it if we received messages requesting such action from every one of the committee of 640 who was here last week, President Wilson has not asked us to postpone the strike and he understands as we made it very clear to him on Monday night, that we now are powerless to act unless a satisfactory settle. ment is made.'

Echoed by Garretson. A. R. Garretson, head of the con-ductors, and spokesman for the em-

ployes, made a similar statement. Besides conferring with Secretary Wilson today, the brotherhood heads talked with several members of congress at the capitol. They expected to confer today with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor. It was said that Mr. Gompers had made no attempt to induce the brotherhoods to postpone the strike and it was not thought that he would

Hearings Begin Thursday. The senate interstate commerce com

and representatives of shippers were invited to appear.

Each side will be given three hours

in which to discuss their views of legthe threatened strike and to provide for operation of trains in the event of a

Inquiry for Killing.
WACO, Texas, Aug. 30—To investigate the killing of John S. Patterson, state banking commissioner, by T. R. Watson of Teague, the McLenge county grand jury will be recommended.

here this afternoon,